

Mr. Duckett

Re: Soviet Space Treaty

Attached for your review is Dave Brandwein's reply to the question addressed to [REDACTED] by James Gehrig, Staff Director of the Senate Aeronautical and Space Science Committee. As you recall, Gehrig asked about the impact of the Soviet Space Treaty on American intelligence activity. Although [REDACTED] had merely requested an informal telephonic response from DD/S&T, it might be worth while to have [REDACTED] drop by for a personal talk with you before giving him this reply. Otherwise, if you prefer, we can (over)

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prepare a note of attachment. There was no deadline [REDACTED] is reply, only ASAP. Feb 67

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IMPACT OF THE PEACEFUL USES OF SPACE TREATY
ON AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE

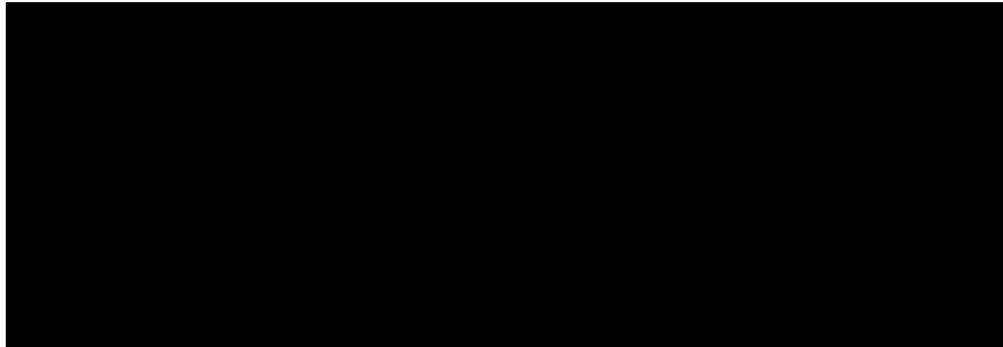
1. The treaty does not prohibit the collection of intelligence by objects in orbit and therefore has no impact on any such programs.
2. The treaty "no-bombs-in-orbit" provision (Article IV) has no clause specifically relating to verification. It is therefore up to the U.S. intelligence community to determine unilaterally whether or not there was a violation. But we already have an obligation to determine the status of all potential enemy weapons systems, including those which might be put in orbit, so the existence of the treaty has no effect on our responsibilities.

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4. The provisions relating to assistance of Astronauts in distress (Article V), to observation of the flight of space objects (Article X), and to examination of equipment on the moon and celestial bodies (Article XIII), all enhance slightly some modest possibilities for open source data collection.

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<p>Attached here is a brief response to the query from Mr. Gherig on the impact of the Space Treaty on US intelligence.</p> <p><i>Hold: memo prepared.</i></p>			
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<p>I told [REDACTED] that you would forward a copy of the space treaty to him.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p><i>DSB - Hasn't this question been answered?</i></p>			
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